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Greenbelt to Get New Department For Information Technology

by James Giese

The city has a new department, Information Technology, under General Government with a budget of its own in the Fiscal Year 2009 proposed budget. Joining City Manager Michael McLaughlin in reviewing that budget with the Greenbelt City Council at its April 2 worksession was Dale Worley, recently appointed as the city's IT manager.

Worley joined the city staff last August. A native of this county, having grown up in Lanham, he now resides in Elkridge. Before coming to Greenbelt, he was a project manager for IT Integration Plan B technology. He has 12 years of experience in this field. Worley is a graduate of the University of Maryland, where he majored in accounting.

Worley heads a staff of three. Brian Kennell is the network engineer; Tyrone Barnes, the system analyst and Laura Fisher, the help desk analyst. In Fiscal Year 2007, 1,384 requests were handled by the help desk and the IT staff completed 15 projects. With a full complement now on board,



Dale Worley is the IT Manager for the City of Greenbelt's newest department, the Information Technology Department.

the staff expects to undertake 27 projects and complete them all during the new year.

The IT offices are located in the cellar of the Municipal Building, an area in the past

used mostly for storage. While Worley misses having a window, he finds the space otherwise suitable. It was refurbished this past

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“Click It or Ticket” Is May Focus For Greenbelt Police Department

by Barbara Hopkins

The Greenbelt Police Department was prominent at the regular meeting of the city council on April 28 with the department's upcoming safety campaign and recognition of one of its officers on the agenda.

May was proclaimed Click It or Ticket Month in Greenbelt by Mayor Judith Davis. MPO Scott Kaiser received the proclamation on behalf of the department. The Click It or Ticket campaign is part of the year-long Maryland Chiefs' Challenge, a joint program of the Maryland Police Chiefs Association; the Committee for Safety Belt Use, Inc. and the State Highway Administration. The goal of the program is to improve citizen compliance with traffic and safety laws through furthering public awareness and education to reduce deaths and serious injuries related to traffic accidents.

The proclamation emphasizes the life-saving benefits of proper use of safety belts and child safety and booster seats. Such use reduces the risk of fatal injury in a vehicle crash by 45 percent for passengers in the front seat and by 60 percent for occupants of a pickup truck, SUV or minivan. Properly installed and used child safety seats are said to be 70 percent effective in reducing fatalities in children aged five

and under. The proclamation states that there is a death from a traffic accident every 13 minutes in the United States and motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for young people, aged two to 34.

Proper use of safety belts and air bags for adults and safety and booster seats for children is said to provide one of the best defenses against aggressive drivers or those impaired by drugs or alcohol.

Officer Recognized

MPO Scott Kaiser, a veteran officer with over 13 years of service to the Greenbelt force, was

recognized for his outstanding accomplishments as the department's Traffic Officer. Through Kaiser's direction, the department received its seventh consecutive Maryland Governor's Award for finishing in first place in the Maryland Chiefs' Challenge. Kaiser is also coordinator for the county's Municipal DWI Task Force and he oversees the sobriety checkpoints operated by officers from departments in Bladensburg, Hyattsville, Laurel and Mt. Rainier as well as Greenbelt.

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PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

On behalf of the Greenbelt Police Department, MPO Scott Kaiser accepts the proclamation naming May Click It or Ticket Month in Greenbelt.

Budget 2009

CARES and GAIL Budgets, Both Show Small Increases

by Bay Woods

The Greenbelt City Council continued its budget worksessions Monday night, April 21. Councilmembers and City Manager Michael McLaughlin met with Dr. Liz Park, director of Social Services, to review the accomplishments of CARES and GAIL during the previous Fiscal Year and to look forward toward their plans and objectives for the coming year.

The Fiscal Year 2009 proposed budget for CARES is \$473,600, up \$15,500 from last year. The proposed budget for GAIL is \$61,200, a \$3,200 increase.

Park began by presenting the numerous advances within CARES during Fiscal Year 2008. CARES has strengthened the program in English and Spanish which has served 43 families over the last four years and cre-

ated connections between parents and schools.

Park also remarked on the popularity of the CARES anger management classes. She noted that the courses are filling up with people with court mandates to attend such classes.

This information led to a spirited discussion when council began to ask questions. Mayor Judith Davis suggested that there be a different rate for residents and nonresidents to register for the class, which currently charges only for the assigned book. Park assured council she would look into this possibility.

Among other programs presented by Park were a group for the differently-abled; GED preparation courses; a coordinated vol-

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GHI to Hold Annual Meeting, Elections on May 15 and 16

by Mary Moien

The annual meeting of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) members will be held on Thursday, May 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center. Topics planned for the agenda include an update on the Greener Greenbelt Initiative and a report on an energy audit. GHI members will vote for five members of the nine-member Board of Directors and members of the Audit Committee and the Nominations & Elections Committee. Voting for board members and Audit Committee members will take place at the conclusion of the meeting and will continue the following day at the GHI office from 7 to 10 a.m. and from 5 to 8 p.m. Voting for members of the Nominations & Elections Committee will take place during the annual meeting.

Elections

Of the five board positions

open this year, four will be two-year positions and one will be a one-year position for a seat made vacant by a board member's resignation. The lowest vote-getter will serve the one-year term.

All three positions on the Audit Committee are filled each year. Members of the N&E committee are also elected annually.

It is not too late to decide to run for one of the elected positions. Nomination forms must be submitted by May 5 to have a biography appear in the Greenbelt News Review. However, forms can be turned in as late as 5 p.m. on May 9 to be eligible to run.

More information and forms can be obtained from GHI or from their website at <http://ghi.coop/about.thm>. Scroll down to the Nomination and Elections

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What Goes On

Saturday, May 3

9 a.m. to noon, Community Shred Day, Torn2Shredz Truck, Municipal Parking Lot behind Greenbelt Federal Credit Union

Sunday, May 4

1 to 5 p.m., Artful Afternoon, Community Center

Monday, May 5

8 p.m., Council Budget Worksession/Public Works, Municipal Building

Wednesday, May 7

7:30 p.m., Council Budget Worksession/Recreation, Community Center

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board, Community Center, Room 103

Thursday, May 8

7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting, GHI Board Room

Saturday, May 10

10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Pet Expo, Community Center

Letters to the Editor

What Constitutes A Minority?

The NAACP letter about redistricting voting for the City Council is thought provoking. Two points stand out:

First, the terms "majority" and "minority" are out of date in Greenbelt. Per latest statistics no one race/ethnic group has a majority in Greenbelt's population. Also, I'm confused as to how some groups are counted. For example, is someone originally from Uzbekistan counted as Asian or white? This goes to the latest findings of physical anthropologists that there is only one human race and that we are ALL descended from a small band of "first people" in sub-Saharan Africa. All we're left with is small differences in superficial appearance.

Second, barriers to full participation in our city's political process no longer exist. Especially since council candidates don't have to be vetted by any political party, all are free to put themselves forward as candidates and rally support behind their campaigns.

Other barriers such as differences in income, physical and mental ability and education fall on all groups. Without a scientific way to quantify and account for the effects of such factors on all groups they cannot be fairly accounted for when redistricting. I don't think we can do better than our present system. As Winston Churchill said, "Democracy is a horrible form of government, however it's the best we have at present."

Jill R. Lawson

Save the Shad

My name is Lucero Cortez. I am a fourth grader at Greenbelt Elementary School. My classmates and I are growing shad eggs, which are actually little fish that live in the Chesapeake Bay. These fish may be little but they help out the environment! Shad are food for other animals that die if they have nothing to eat. This will also affect humans because if there are no shad, animals die and we do not have food either.

For our class project to save the shad, we have built an incubator in our class to grow the fish. Once four days pass (shad grow in four days), we will release them in the Potomac River.

*Lucero Cortez, fourth grade
Greenbelt Elementary School*

Note: Lucero's teacher, Molly Simms, advises that as part of the class project, each student was asked to write a letter to the editor. Cortez' was noted by the students as being the best. If all goes well with the project, the class will take a field trip on Friday, May 2 to the release site.

THANKS!

Thanks to all who donated blood on April 25 at the Greenbelt Community Center on a warm spring day. The blood collected at the drive will help the American Red Cross continue its service despite the nation's severe blood shortage. Thanks are given to the Red Cross personnel and volunteers for their outstanding service.

The next scheduled blood drive is Tuesday, June 24 from

1 to 8 p.m. at the Greenbelt Municipal Building.

Call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212 to make an appointment if you have not been contacted by the Red Cross. Walk-ins will be accepted to fill spaces for people who do not appear for their appointments.

*Janet Goldberg
Recreation Coordinator*

Enjoys the News Review, but . . .

I have enjoyed reading the Greenbelt News Review since moving here in 2001. I'm particularly excited at the recent online presence of the Review. This makes it very handy for me to look things up when needed. I have several friends with visual impairments and I think the online options may make it more accessible to them as well as to me as a sighted reader. There are a variety of technical options that make online text accessible to people with low vision and people who are blind. Bravo for this particular piece of progress.

In the spirit of continued progress together, I wonder if I might comment on one aspect of the Review that might warrant just a bit more reflection. I have been very heartened to see increased coverage of my neighbors who live outside of the old section of Greenbelt and more within the larger City of Greenbelt itself. That said, I'm finding that in the last two issues of the Review, the names of these neighbors were frequently left out of photo captions. Only the names of those with perhaps ties of longer duration to the older section of town were included. Here are two examples from the last two issues of the Review:

April 17, 2008, issue: page 13 gave a wonderful overview of the excellent stream clean-up efforts of students from Springhill Lake Elementary School. Frequently the names of the SHL students were left out as were the names of the students from Dar-Us-Salaam.

April 24, 2008, issue: page 8 great photos of our newest US citizens but no names.

These oversights seemed to frequently occur for those residents who are African American, immigrants or members of a faith other than the several Christian-based faiths that may predominate in some areas within the overall area of the City of Greenbelt itself.

There is a sign in front of the City of Greenbelt administrative offices which proclaims "We are building an inclusive community." In addition to just a bit more attention toward including the names of all my City of Greenbelt neighbors who are featured in News Review photos, I welcome News Review reporting on the actions that are being taken as part of the city's participation in the Working Toward Inclusive Communities project of the National League of Cities (the fine print at the lower part of the sign). I would welcome knowing what projects are ongoing, what measurable goals the projects are designed to reach, how we are doing in reaching those goals and how might we as citizens of Greenbelt hold our elected officials – and ourselves – accountable to those goals.

I write in the spirit of shared

progress and as a citizen of the City of Greenbelt residing in the old section of that city.

Alice A. Mitchell

Editor's Note: The News Review welcomes and values Greenbelt-specific articles such as the one recommended about the League of Cities inclusive communities project here as well as more reporters to write them.

With regard to the photos, we sometimes have to choose between not running photos or running them without the names of those pictured. Contributors are not always successful in obtaining names particularly when there are a number of subjects in the photo and the action is lively.

GHI Committee Seat Is Open

On May 15, at the annual meeting of Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI), elections will be held for seats on the Board of Directors, Audit Committee and Nominations & Elections Committee. I will not be running again for a seat on the Audit Committee and wanted to invite GHI members to consider serving in this role. If you are a long-time resident of GHI, you are likely familiar with the work of the committee, which includes observing board meetings and speaking up if proper procedures aren't followed. The Audit Committee also receives member-generated requests for research on an issue and observes and monitors financial matters by attending the Investment and Finance Committee meetings and reviewing the annual financial audit prepared for GHI by an outside auditing firm.

If you're new to GHI, serving on the Audit Committee is a great way to immerse yourself in the broad and interesting – and sometimes controversial – issues that face the cooperative. Unlike board members, not every member of the Audit Committee is required to attend every GHI board meeting, although in the past two years, our committee has been well-represented.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve on this committee and I want to thank Dianne Wilkerson and Michael Iacangelo for their work and their support over the past two years. Having lived in another cooperative in the Adams Morgan area of D.C., I really appreciate GHI's operations, staff, board and the many volunteers who contribute to our community.

Marat Moore

Work with NAACP

I want to express thanks for the editorial "Open the Door," which appeared in the April 24 edition of the Greenbelt Review.

The council did a good thing when they put up a sign by the Municipal Building saying "Welcome, we are building an inclusive community." Now we have to stand behind this sign with our actions and deeds.

We should be happy to work with the NAACP to help dissolve all existing hardness and bitterness of racial tension.

I want to live in a community that really practices liberty and justice for all.

Betsy Barber

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Grin Belt



"This is our petition to save the polar bear."

On Screen

Priceless Kinds of Love

Priceless stars Audrey Tatou (Amelie, The DaVinci Code) as a gold-digger in the French Riviera who mistakes a bartender for someone who can afford her time. Gad Elmaleh, last seen at the Old Greenbelt Theatre in The Valet's title role, is eventually taken under her wing as the bartender learns how to be a kept man. Both actors use their considerable talents to delightful effect in this light-hearted story about different kinds of love.

Written and directed by Pierre Salvadori, Priceless is in French, with English subtitles. It is rated PG-13 for sexual situations and runs 104 minutes.

– Cathy Jones

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Community Events

At the Library

Storytimes

A librarian will read age-appropriate stories:

Tuesday, May 6, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months old with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, May 7, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children for each group.

Thursday, May 8, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 children.

Caregivers are asked to pick up a free ticket at the Children's Desk.

GHI Notes

Scheduled Meetings:

Saturday, May 3, 7 to 9 a.m., Bird Walk, Northway Field

11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room

12:30 to 4 p.m., Community-wide Open House, Roosevelt Center

Tuesday, May 6, 7 p.m., Greener Greenbelt Initiative, GHI Board Room

7:30 p.m., Candidates Night, City Council Room

Wednesday, May 7, 6:45 p.m., Investment Committee, GHI Board Room

7 p.m., Member and Community Relations Committee, GHI Lobby

Saturday, May 10, 7 to 9 a.m., Bird Walk, Northway Field

Tuesday, May 13, 8:30 a.m., Ad-hoc Yard Line Committee, GHI Library

Wednesday, May 14, 7:30 p.m., Architecture Review Committee, Board Room

Thursday, May 15, 7:30 p.m., Annual Meeting, Community Center

Friday, May 16, 7 to 10 a.m. and 5 to 8 p.m., Membership Voting, GHI Board Room

Monday, May 19, 6:45 p.m., Communications Committee, GHI Lobby

7:15 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room

Wednesday, May 21, 7 p.m., Finance Committee, Board Room

7 p.m., Woodlands Committee, GHI Lobby

Thursday, May 22, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

Note: The board will meet the second and fourth Thursdays through May.

For more community events, see page 7

Fourth Green Man Festival May 10-11

The fourth Green Man Festival will be held at Roosevelt Center the weekend of May 9 through 11, rain or shine. It kicks off at 8 p.m. on Friday, May 9 with the outdoor screening of a feature-length environmental film. The Green Man Festival is a free annual event of the Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society (CHEARS).

The Green Man is the spirit of the natural world, a guardian of the forest and wildlife and the unofficial icon for the environmental movement. The Green Man Festival will celebrate Greenbelt's commitment to preserve its forests and honor the earth by living and acting wisely and responsibly. This annual festival invokes the Green Man in everyone and inspires personal action for the sake of the environment and all life.

Festival activities reconnect participants to the folklore of ancestral indigenous civilizations through science, art, music, myth and nature-inspired activities. Environmental films, presentations and environmental organizations' information tables will provide ideas and suggestions on what can be done to restore the land, the Chesapeake Bay watershed and the earth.

Come network with people sharing values about sustainable living and contribute ideas. Have fun enjoying local and international artists, musicians and vegetarian/vegan cuisine. For more information visit the CHEARS website at www.chears.org or www.greenbelgreenmanfestival.org.

Feeding Children Is GNS Program Topic

On Wednesday, May 14 from 7 to 8 p.m., Kimberly Rush-Lynch, founder of Cultivating Health, will be the speaker at the Greenbelt Nursery School Spring Parent Education Meeting.

Rush-Lynch, a holistic health counselor and food educator, will discuss how to create healthy meals and snacks for preschoolers and share her experiences involving children in the process of growing and cooking their own food.

This free event will be held at Greenbelt Nursery School, 15 Crescent Road. Call 301-474-5570 for reservations.

World Astronomy Day Celebration May 10

Astronomy Day, Saturday, May 10, is a world-wide effort to share the wonders of astronomy. This year three organizations join in sponsoring Astronomy Day events: the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt (ASG), Howard B. Owens Science Center and NASA Goddard Space Flight Center's Visitor Center.

ASG members will set up telescopes at Owens (weather permitting) for safe views of the sun, moon and Saturn. Special projects for children will take place indoors, such as making a paper sundial. Additional presentations will take place in the planetarium, including star shows.

An exhibit called "Science on a Sphere" will be at Goddard Visitor Center with a shuttle operating between the Owens Science Center and the Visitor Center in the afternoon. Free activities will take place at Howard B. Owens Science Center from 2 to 10 p.m. and at Goddard Visitor Center from noon to 4 p.m.

Science experiments and demonstrations by the Owens Science Center staff will be offered until 5 p.m. as well as astronomical observing (weather permitting) of the sun, moon and planets after dark. Planetarium shows of "The Stars Tonight" are at 5 and 7 p.m. with "Binocular Astronomy" to follow.

A telescope is not needed to get started in astronomy. Learn what can be observed with binoculars one already has.

Also displayed will be "It Came from Outer Space," showing meteorites that really did come from outer space. Kids' activities will include making a sundial or planisphere (star map). There will be free drawings with the grand prize being a pair of Celestron SkyMaster 12x60 binoculars, courtesy of Hands On Optics.

Howard B. Owens Science Center is at 9601 Greenbelt Road; NASA Goddard Visitor Center entrance is at Greenbelt and IC-ESat Roads.

Choral Concert Sat. At Holy Cross

On Saturday, May 3 at 4 p.m. the Prince George's Choral Society will present Joseph Haydn's "Mass In Time of War" at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. There is a fee. Ticket information is available by calling 301-336-8539.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church is at 6905 Greenbelt Road.

ERHS Holds Final Concerts of Year

The All Bands and All Orchestras Concerts at Eleanor Roosevelt High School are scheduled for May 9 and May 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Each of the four bands and four orchestras will perform individually. Then all the band members and orchestra members will play in a Massed Band and a Massed Orchestra concert.

More than 200 musicians will perform together in these concerts. Students from all over the northern part of Prince George's County take part in Eleanor Roosevelt bands and orchestras through select programs. In addition to Greenbelt, they are from Bowie, Laurel, Cheverly, College Park, Beltsville, University Park, Hyattsville, Berwyn Heights, Brentwood and other cities. The 2008 graduates in each band and orchestra will be acknowledged for their contribution to the ensembles.

Playing at the May 9 concert will be the Concert Band II, Concert Band I, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble and Massed Bands. Featured May 14 are the Roosevelt Strings, Concert Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra and Massed Orchestra.

Both concerts are free and open to the public. All the bands under the direction of Sally Wagner scored straight ones at the County Band Festival and are eligible to participate in the State Festival.

GHI Candidates Night Is May 6

GHI candidates for the Board of Directors and Audit Committee will speak at the Candidates' Night Tuesday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m., in the City Council chambers in the Municipal Building. This meeting will also be presented live on the Greenbelt cable channel. All candidates who have indicated their intent to run for office by May 6 are invited to participate.

GIVES Meeting

GIVES will hold a special meeting on Thursday, May 15 at 1 p.m. in the Community Center, Room 103. The agenda includes selecting a nomination committee to handle the annual election on Saturday, June 14. Bylaw changes will be read creating a new position of second vice president.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF May 2 Priceless (PG-13)

Friday *5:15, 7:30, 9:40

Saturday *3, *5:15, 7:30, 9:40

Sunday *3, *5:15, 7:30

Monday - Thursday *5:15, 7:30

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Week of MAY 2

FRI. - SAT.
The Forbidden Kingdom, PG-13
11:45, 2:20, 5:05, 7:40, 10:20

88 Minutes, R
11:40, 2:20

Street Kings, R
5:15, 7:50, 10:10

Iron Man, R (!)

11, 11:20, 1:45, 2:10, 4:35, 5:05,
7:40, 8, 10:30, 10:45

Harold & Kumar, R (!)

11:50, 2:30, 5:20, 7:50, 10:30

Made of Honor, PG-13 (!)

11:50, 2:30, 5:20, 7:50, 10:30

Prom Night, PG-13
11, 1:10, 3:30, 5:40, 8, 10:30

Horton Hears A Who, G
11, 1:10, 3:20

Deception, R
5:20, 8, 10:45

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Deception, R
5:20, 8

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12:40, 2:45, 5:30, 8

Horton Hears A Who, G
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Deception, R
5:30, 7:50

MON. - THUR.
The Forbidden Kingdom, PG-13
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88 Minutes, R
12:20, 3

Street Kings, R
5:30, 7:50

Iron Man, R (!)

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Mishkan Torah's 5th Annual

Vintage Jewelry Sale & Boutique

Sunday, May 4, 2008

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Vintage & Costume Jewelry

Various Bric-a-brac,

Minor jewelry repair station

Mishkan Torah Synagogue, 10 Ridge Road,
Greenbelt, MD 301-474-4223

Obituaries

Adele Lee

Adele (DiLillo) Lee, 74, died peacefully on April 28, 2008. She was born in Baltimore's Little Italy section and moved to Greenbelt in 1958 to raise her family. She was one of the original owners in the Lakewood subdivision.



She was co-owner of Greenbelt Dog Training with her husband and a dog therapy volunteer at Children's Hospital and other area hospitals, nursing homes and special schools.

Mrs. Lee retired from the Prince George's County school system where she worked as a secretary in several schools including the after-school program at Greenbelt Center School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School. She was a member of St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church where she sang in the choir. In recent years she attended Greenbelt Community Church.

Mrs. Lee always shared the fact that she lived a blessed life and her faithful spirit was contagious. She is remembered as a caring, loving, gracious woman who always put others first.

She is survived by her best friend and husband, Allie Lee; her five children, Jerry Jenkins and wife Sandra, John Jenkins and wife Lynn, Julie Jenkins, Jane Oneal and husband Pat and Jay Jenkins and wife Sherrie; 12 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and countless friends.

A service will be held to honor her life on Friday, May 9, 2008, beginning at 11 a.m. at Greenbelt Community Church, 1 Hillside Road.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Children's Hospital therapy program - CNMC/New Horizons Programs, Suite 20801, 111 Michigan Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20010.

A fund has been set up in Adele's name by Greenbelt Dog Training and other friends to help with expenses incurred during Adele's illness that are not covered by the Lee's insurance. People may make a donation to this fund, now in Allie's name to the Allie Lee Fund, c/o Provident Bank, 4720 Cherry Hill Road, College Park, MD 20740. (The bank is inside Shoppers Food Warehouse in College Park.)

Tommy Hawke

Former resident Tommy Hawke, 50, of 10 Court Plateau Place died of heart failure on Wednesday, April 23, 2008.

He lived on Plateau Place for 20 years from 1961 to 1981 with his parents Marion and Charles Hawke. Mr. Hawke was active in the Little League till age 14 and was also in the Boys Club.

He is survived by two children Tommy Hawke, Jr. and Stacey

Hawke; sisters Connie, Karin and Valerie; and half sister Jennifer.

Services were held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 30 at Ft. Lincoln Cemetery.

Hoyt P. Wright, Sr.

Hoyt Perman Wright, Sr., 83, of Mathew Street, a 20-year resident of Greenbelt, died Monday, April 21, 2008.

Born in Washington, D.C., he graduated from Dunbar High School. He served in World War II in the 761st black tank battalion where he was awarded three Bronze Stars, three Victory Medals of Honor and a Good Conduct Medal. He later received an honorable discharge from the United States Army. In 1956 he married Regina Suter and their union lasted 52 years until his death.

Mr. Wright worked 35 years for the U.S. government at the Department of International De-

velopment until he retired in 1978. His interests included classic cars, gardening and talking with anyone who would listen, including his dog "Angel."

Mr. Wright is survived by his wife Regina; sons Hoyt, Jr. (Tammy) and Duane (Susan); two daughters Carolyn and Donna Wright; two sisters Thelma and Wilma Wright; seven grandchildren Marcus (Raechelle), Erica, Orelia, Tiara, Jerrell, Serenity and Justice; five great grandchildren Aaron, LeAna, Lauren, Eric and Owen; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. His sister Hilda preceded him in death.

A memorial service was held at St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church on Thursday, April 24 (funeral arrangements by J.B. Jenkins Funeral Home, Landover). There is an online guest book at www.legacy.com/washingtonpost.

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- The Holy Qur'an, 27:40

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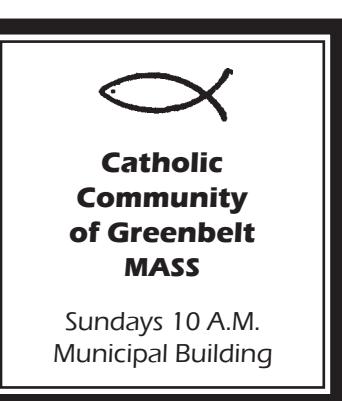
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Letters to the Editor

Clarifying First Friday Parties

I am writing in response to a letter in the April 24 issue of the News Review regarding building additions, noise and parties. Ms. Houck makes three major points, two of which I agree with.

I agree that it is possible to successfully raise children with or without an addition. I see nothing wrong with GHI units, large or small. I've lived in both kinds.

I agree that neighbors hosting late parties should try to keep the noise level within reasonable limits.

I disagree that it is somehow morally incorrect for adults to have fun or even become intoxicated at parties.

Ms. Houck implied that the decade-long First Friday monthly parties are open to the public. This is not true. Traditional though they may be (and despite any rumors to the contrary), First Fridays have always been private parties. From what I understand, the recent flyers Ms. Houck referenced were actually printed invitations sent only to the neighbors in her court, including one sent to herself.

John Cooper

Neighbor Grievances Should Have Privacy

When I moved to Greenbelt almost two years ago, I was drawn to this particular neighborhood because of the thriving, dynamic and diverse population of people that live here. This neighborhood is like an oasis in this area because of the people, the green space and the spirit of cooperative living. Some of my neighbors are like family to me, we share resources, we help each other with educating and watching children, taking care of pets, even just watering houseplants when we travel.

In a broader sense this neighborhood is attractive because of Roosevelt Center where we can walk to a theater, a café, restaurants, etc.; see our neighbors and share ideas, information about upcoming events, news concerning each others' families and mutual friends. We have services here to help each other, also, such as Greenbelt CARES. There are also mediation services here in the unfortunate case where people do not or are unable to communicate effectively with their neighbors when there are disagreements or problems.

That is why I am disappointed to see in the News Review a somewhat hysterical-sounding letter from a GHI member about her neighbor's house addition and party. Is the local paper really an appropriate forum for neighbor grievances? This sounds like a situation where mediation is both appropriate and necessary. This particular letter also gave enough information that it would be easy

to discern who the neighbor is and where this person lives. I see it as a violation of privacy and even a form of harassment. In this instance an apology from the News Review to everyone in 71 and 73 Courts may be in order. For GHI members that find themselves in this situation, please contact GHI member services, 301-474-4161, to start communicating through mediation in order to solve these problems instead of using the News Review to perpetuate an argument.

Lisa Voith

Christmas In April

Worker Thanks

On April 26 representatives from the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department, Greenbelt Public Works, Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department and the Prince George's County Youth Commission took part in the 2008 Christmas in April program. A Greenbelt family was selected to be one of the beneficiaries this year. Repairs to the family's house included dry wall, painting and clearing of debris from the yard. Four truck loads of debris and yard waste were taken away in support of the need of the family to have a safe environment.

The Prince George's County Christmas in April program began in 1989 under the leadership of Vincent "Cap" Mona of Mona Electric and the Prince George's County government under the leadership of then County Execu-

tive Parris N. Glendening. The program has grown from helping 30 homeowners in 1989 with 600 volunteers to helping 85 homeowners in 2007 with the help of 3,000 volunteers. This year the 2008 Christmas in April project will support 100 homes that will have repairs made to them, will have the assistance of well over 3,500 volunteers and bring in an estimated \$975,000 dollars worth of repairs to the projects selected here in the county.

We would like to thank everyone who came out that day in support of our Greenbelt family. Thank you to the Greenbelt VFD volunteers John Voigt, Jeremiah Voigt, Jim Stoddard, Amie Gignac, Beth Stoddard, Augustine Garcia, Janelle Garcia, Mike Shipp (PGFD), Robert Tripe and Kelly Lawson. A big thank you to the ladies Auxiliary who provided lunch – Teresa Ann Crisman, Pauline Bordas, Diane Ronchi, Maria Snoddy, Dorothea Leslie and Margaret McKenney.

We would also like to thank William Smith from Public Works for helping out with the city truck. From the PG Youth Commission help came from: Pyper Harvey Youth Commission Coordinator, Willie Clements Community Developer for the Youth Commission, Ben Barrows, Shanta Williams and Richard Proctor.

*Co-House Captains
Jimmy Reilly, Battalion Chief
Prince George's Fire Dept.
and Thomas J. Ray, Deputy
Chief, Greenbelt Fire Dept.*



The Christmas in April firefighter volunteers pose for the camera before heading out to work.

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City Information

MEETINGS FOR MAY 5 - 9

Monday, May 5th, 8pm, BUDGET WORK SESSION -- PUBLIC WORKS at the Municipal Building.

Wednesday, May 7th, 7:30pm, BUDGET WORK SESSION -- RECREATION at the Community Center.

Wednesday, May 7th, 7:30pm, GREENBELT ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD at the Community Center, Room 103.

On the agenda: discussion of pedestrian/bicycle plan.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call the number listed above, or contact the City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or dmoran@greenbeltdmd.gov.

Community Shred Day

Saturday, May 3rd, 9am - 12pm

Bring your personal papers to the TORN2SHREDZ truck located in the Municipal parking lot behind the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union for FREE SHREDDING!

No business or commercial materials will be accepted.

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL / PUBLIC ACCESS NOW ON COMCAST 71 & VERIZON 21

MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, May 5th at 8pm Budget Work Session (live). Tuesday and Thursday, April 29th and May 6th at 6pm -- "Co-op Cooking Show" 6:30pm "Museum Lecture Series" 7:30pm -- Budget Work Session (replay).

PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday and Friday, May 3rd and 5th. 7pm -- "Crazy Quilt Festival featuring Parthenon Huxley" 7:30pm -- GAC's "Death and the Maiden."

Greenbelt Pet Expo

Saturday, May 10th
10am - 3pm

Greenbelt Community Center

Join us on Saturday, May 10th, for the 7th Annual Pet Expo! The popular event will provide both educational and entertaining events pertaining to the care and well-being of your pet.

Vendors include: Prince George's County Animal Management, micro-chipping, pet psychics, pet supplies and trainers, traditional and holistic animal health care providers, and rescue groups.

Entertainment will be provided by a DJ and caricaturist, and exhibitions will feature the Chesapeake Rock N Rovers, service dogs, a Pet Costume Contest, and a showcase of adoptable pets from the Greenbelt Animal Shelter.

Admission is free.
For more information, call (301)345-5417.

Artful Afternoon: Rites of Spring

Sunday, May 4, 1pm - 5pm, Greenbelt Community Center
All ages; free.

Celebrate May with Greenbelt's monthly free arts festival, featuring Artists in Residence Open House and Greenbelt Museum tours.

1pm - 3pm: Make your own nature-themed mask with Artist in Residence Loraine DiPietro.

3pm: Dance around the May Pole -- no experience necessary!

3:30: A performance from The Chromatics, a local a cappella group.

For more info, call 301-397-2208.

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Julia Pedersoli runs for the goal while a Fort Washington player competes for the ball.

GB&GC Soccer Season Opens With Two Exciting Games

by John Pedersoli, Coach, Greenbelt U10 Girls

The Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club (GB&GC) kicked off the 2008 spring soccer season on Saturday, April 12. The Greenbelt U10 girls and the Greenbelt U9 boys played each other in a fun, friendly and good-spirited game.

The girls dominated the first half and went to half-time with a 3-0 lead thanks to three goals by Jasmine Goggins. Jasmine was assisted by Julia Pedersoli and Catherine Peterson, while Sarah McCarthy held the boys scoreless as goalie. The girls' defense was anchored by Annina Commins and Sophie Bernheisel while Alexandra Sherman helped press the attack on offense.

The boys team never gave up and fought back in the second

half with two goals by Eyad Kamil and one by Malcolm Alexander. In a thrilling finish, the boys scored the tying goal with only two minutes left to play.

On Saturday, April 26 the Greenbelt U10 girls played their second game of the season. Greenbelt came out with a big win, 11-0 against Fort Washington. Julia Pedersoli led the scoring with six goals while Jasmine Goggins and Madison Maragliano each had two and Barbara Turnbull added one more.

They were assisted by Catherine Peterson and Sophie Bernheisel; Annina Commins played defense while Sarah McCarthy and Alexandra Sherman shared goalie duties.



An exhausted Alexandra Sherman is helped off the field by Annina Commins with Sophie Bernheisel following.

— photos by John Pedersoli

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year, with walls cleaned and new carpeting installed.

Accomplishments

Worley told council at the worksession that a spam filtering system had successfully been implemented on the city network and was very effective.

Worley produced a Toughbook laptop computer and showed how well it was constructed. The Police Department is now using 13 of them in the field. One can be thrown on a hard floor and survive, while an ordinary laptop would probably have its cover fly off.

Police officers love the units, he said. The proposed budget, in the Special Projects Fund, provides additional funds to buy seven more.

The Police Department staff is seeking council approval to request that grant funds authorized to purchase in-car cameras be reauthorized to buy five more of these laptops, providing 25 of the 35 units the department feels it needs. In budget comments, staff noted that of the original 43 laptops acquired for the police, 15 were no longer operable.

I-Net Fund

The budget includes \$53,000 as payment to Prince George's County to operate and oversee I-Net. Mayor Judith Davis requested more information on why the city needed to participate in this project. Worley responded that the I-Net is a high speed fiber network provided by Comcast that connects the city into the internet and is to provide direct access to both the county and other municipalities within the county.

The connection will include access to information not otherwise available at the county level. The network also interconnects all city buildings for both computers and telephones. The Recreation Department, in particular, has benefitted from being able to have its installations connected to a central computer system, Worley noted.

McLaughlin told council that staff was still watching what is being done at the county level to determine if the city wants to participate with the county in I-Net.

Objectives

The most important objective of the IT Department for the new year is to help implement a computer-assisted dispatch system for the Greenbelt Police Department working together with the Hyattsville police. This may call

for a new records management system.

Another goal is to implement eGovernment initiatives to make city information more accessible to the public. With eGovernment, citizens will be able to log in requests, get answers to frequently asked questions and obtain needed forms and complete them online. The Recreation Department is doing some of that now with its RecTrac system.

IT staff would also like to eliminate paper faxing. Faxes would be received and distributed like email, Worley told council.

Worley would also like to establish some performance measures for the new department. One might be unscheduled system downtime, which would indicate the city's network stability. Tracking of help requests and how quickly the department responds might be another performance measurement.

Filtering internet usage to limit access to appropriate matters is another IT goal.

Worley would also like to find ways to control data storage devices.

He also talked about eliminating the Sneaker Net, telling puzzled councilmembers that this is the hand-carried transfer of information between persons.

The total proposed budget for Information Technology is \$446,400. Of this, \$284,000 is for salaries and benefits, \$127,400 for other operating expenses and \$35,000 for new equipment and software.

Public Information

At the same meeting, the city council also reviewed the \$260,700 proposed budget for Public Information and Community Promotion. Councilmember Edward Putens noted his wish to include funds to pay for a city newsletter. The cost of printing and postage for the current Recreation Department quarterly program information brochure is \$150,000, it was noted. This does not include staff time cost.

McLaughlin noted that the city will begin cable-casting the city cable channel on the Verizon fiber optics network (Channel 22) during the new year.

An objective for the department is to provide citizen access to municipal programming through live streaming and video on-demand. Residents will be able to watch council meetings on their computers or download ordinances or previous council meetings onto their computers.



ATTENTION GHI MEMBERS

**Let your Voice be heard! Come with your questions and concerns.
Meet the candidates running for GHI office this year.**

GHI's Nominations and Elections Committee is holding a Candidate's Forum for members running for the offices of Board of Directors and Audit Committee. The forum will be held Tuesday, May 6 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Municipal Building located at 25 Crescent Road. It will also be broadcast on Local Cable Channel B-71.

This forum gives you a chance to learn about the candidates and ask them questions about what concerns you most about GHI before the Thursday, May 15 Annual Meeting.

Light, healthy refreshments will be served.

Labor Day Festival Needs Volunteers

Though Labor Day weekend is still months away, Greenbelt residents are gearing up for the 2008 Festival. If the city's centerpiece festival this year is to match past weekends of entertainment, information and community-building, several key positions will need to be filled by volunteers.

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, a volunteer citizens group, has been meeting for over two months to plan the fun-filled event which has been a city tradition for over 50 years. More help is needed to be able to make the event a reality the first weekend in September.

Linda Ivy, the festival's new president, says volunteers are needed to help in four critical areas: 1) carnival and organizational booths, 2) liaison with the business community, 3) publicity, 4) shuttle-bus service.

No experience is needed to volunteer, Ivy noted. "The only thing required is a willingness to work together with other Greenbelters to make the Labor Day Festival the fun and safe experience it has always been," she said. Current committee members are eager to help new volunteers understand and execute their tasks.

The carnival and booths subcommittee organizes the midway area of the festival. Most important is working with the various clubs and organizations in the city who staff booths in the carnival area all weekend.

The business community liaison keeps in contact with Greenbelt's businesses to seek sponsorships and sell advertisements.

The publicity subcommittee prepares press releases and news stories to keep the community informed and aware of festival preparations and activities.

The shuttle-bus service subcommittee needs volunteer drivers to operate the bus service to transport festival-goers to and from satellite parking areas.

"Volunteering helps to ensure that our community will have another great experience this Labor Day," Ivy noted, "but volunteering also provides individuals with a great experience. In addition to learning more about various people and organizations in Greenbelt, there is also a great sense of accomplishment on Labor Day weekend when you see so many smiles on people's faces."

Those interested in volunteering or learning more are asked to email or call Ivy at LindaIvy@aol.com or 301-675-0585.

Community Events

Hunting Ridge Elects Board of Directors

The Hunting Ridge board of directors election was held on April 23 with the following results: Kay Moomey, president; Mary Matovich, vice president; Meosha Hudgens, secretary; Francisco Gomez, treasurer; Arlene Preston, director.

Board meetings are held monthly at the Clubhouse (6914 Hanover Parkway) on the fourth Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Owners and residents are encouraged to attend. The board meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Registration Open For 55 Alive Class

On Thursday and Friday, May 29 and 30 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., GIVES will sponsor the next AARP Driver Safety Program. Pre-registration, which is on a "first call, first registered" basis, is required by calling GIVES at 301-507-6580. Class size is limited to 25 students. The class will be held in Room 114 at the Greenbelt Community Center.

The AARP 55 Alive/Driver Safety Program is an eight-hour classroom refresher course designed specifically for drivers 55 or older, although drivers under 55 may also enroll. The instructor for this class is Robert Doyle, who is also a member of GIVES. The fee will be collected by the instructor at the beginning of the first day of class.

Those calling after the class is filled will be put on a waiting list in the order their calls are received. They will be given first opportunity to enroll in the next class or will be called in the order their calls were received should any vacancy occur.

Utopia Film Festival Seeking Volunteers

The organizers of Greenbelt's Utopia Film Festival 2008 need movie-loving volunteers to help organize this year's cinematic extravaganza to be held October 24 through 26.

Utopia, sponsored by Greenbelt Access Television, is receiving submissions from around the world. Volunteers are needed to help evaluate entries, plan festival-related events, seek sponsors, assist with publicity and plan Utopia logistics. Meetings are held regularly at the Greenbelt Community Center.

To assist with this annual cultural event call Barbara Logan at 301-474-1979 or email volunteer@utopiafilmfestival.org.

See utopiafilmfestival.org for festival information and updates.

Annual Pet Expo For Pets, People

The annual Greenbelt Pet Expo will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. next Saturday, May 10 at the Greenbelt Community Center. It offers a fun-filled informative day for families and their pets. This popular annual event will provide educational, entertaining events pertaining to the care and well-being of pets. All are welcome to come and bring their well-behaved pets.

The day will feature a diverse assortment of vendors including a rabies and license clinic held by Prince George's County Animal Management from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., micro-chipping, pet psychics, pet supplies and trainers, traditional and holistic animal health care providers, rescue groups and a silent auction.

Those attending will be entertained by a disc jockey, a caricaturist and numerous activities for children. Exhibitions will include dog training, one of Greenbelt's award winning K-9 teams, the Chesapeake Rock N Rovers, Fly-ball, service dogs, a pet costume contest, a parade of breeds and a showcase of adoptable pets from the Greenbelt Animal Shelter. Light refreshments will also be available.

"We are looking forward to showcasing all of the many services available to you and your pet that will help you enjoy a happier and healthier life together," said animal control officer Susie Hall. Approximately 500 visitors are expected to attend the Greenbelt Pet Expo, which will be held rain or shine. Admission is free.

Help Clean Still Creek on Sunday

Keep the spirit of Earth Day going by joining the Friends of Still Creek on Sunday, May 4 from 2 to 5 p.m., for "Keep America Beautiful Day."

The group will clean up a portion of Still Creek along Kenilworth Avenue, starting at the intersection of Good Luck Road and Kenilworth Avenue (Berwyn Heights). Park cars on the shoulder of north-bound Kenilworth Avenue. Bring gloves and boots if available. Rain or Shine.

For details call Michele Touchet at 202-382-1807.

Donate to Support Neighborhood Watch

The Old Greenbelt Neighborhood Watch will hold a benefit yard sale on Sunday, May 18 at 38 Lakeside drive from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. To donate items in good condition for the sale, call Bill Cornett at 301-474-0138.

Greenbriar Elects Board and Officers

The Greenbriar Community Association (GCA) held its annual meeting on March 25, electing the following board members and officers: Barbara Smith, president; Angeline Butler, vice president; Jeanette Gordy, secretary; Therese Benedik, treasurer; and the Glen Oaks' representative as director.

Board meetings are held at the community building monthly for each association; owners and residents are encouraged to attend. Greenbriar Phases I and II meet the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Greenbriar Phase III meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. and the GCA board meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.

Explore Glenn Miller, Army Air Force Band

The Friday, May 9 Explorations Unlimited program will host a presentation by Steve Kramer on Glenn Miller and the Army Air Force Band.

In 1942 band leader and patriot Glenn Miller broke up his highly successful orchestra to accept a commission as Captain in the United States Army. Miller assembled possibly the greatest service band, which also featured a 20-piece string section with members from top symphony orchestras.

Kramer will trace the music performed by the Glenn Miller Army Air Force Band from radio broadcasts in 1943 through Miller's disappearance in December 1944 to the band's final appearance in 1945. Miller's anti-German propaganda broadcasts from England will be highlighted as will many V-Discs that were recorded for distribution to soldiers serving overseas.

Kramer, 35 years an electronic engineer, has collected jazz and big band recordings and videos since childhood. Co-author of "Gene Krupa and his Orchestra," he has participated in the production of compact discs by vintage vocalists Dick Haymes and Buddy Clark and conducted classes on American Popular Song via the University of Maryland and Prince George's Community College.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom, Room 114. Everyone is welcome and questions are encouraged.

For more information call 301-397-2208.

Vegetarian Talk, Dinner on May 5

On Monday, May 5 at 6:30 p.m., there will be a presentation by author Erin Williams and a free vegetarian dinner at the Greenbelt library.

The organization Compassion Over Killing is the sponsor for the dinner and presentation. Erin Williams is the co-author of the newly-released "Why Animals Matter: The Case for Animal Protection" and works for the Humane Society of the United States. Williams' book examines how simple, everyday choices have far-reaching effects on animals and the world. It uncovers hidden abuses routinely endured by animals and offers compassionate alternatives. This free event is open to everyone, so bring friends and family.

City Notes

Animal Control staff collected four stray kittens and removed 13 baby ducks from a storm drain at the Greenbelt Metro Station.

Planning staff studied a possible crosswalk design at Prince James Way and Lakecrest. Public Works staff reports radiant heating fixtures were installed in the new vehicle storage building. These energy-efficient fixtures are green building elements included in the project to conserve energy and to reduce the cost of heating the building.

Cindy Murray met with approximately 100 students from Greenbelt Elementary School to discuss the importance of recycling.

Green Show-n-Tell At Green Man Fest

At the Green Man Festival on May 10 and 11 the Greenbelt Watersheds Tent will have a green show and tell, giving people a chance to show off their own green ideas. This is an opportunity to share with others tactics to conserve water, reduce one's carbon footprint, to save energy or otherwise be green. Bring a photo, write the tip or tactic down (paper will be provided) or bring an example of actions taken to be green. The Watersheds group will post these ideas on its Green Show and Tell board.

People can also see the live macroinvertebrate display or buy a raffle ticket to support the groups' water quality monitoring programs and Reel and Meal Productions. For more information call Susan Barnett, president of the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group at 301-474-7465 or visit their Green Man Tent at Roosevelt Center on May 10 and 11.

Send information about your organization's activities for the Community Events page.

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NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA BOARD MEETING

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, May 8, 2008

GHI BOARD ROOM, 7:30 PM

Key Agenda Items:

- Approval of Committee Charters:
Buildings & Grounds
Woodlands
GRTF
SDP
- Copyright Permission – AIA Use
- Proposed Skylight in Original Roof, 36H Ridge Road
- 2008 Slate Roof Contract, Additional Building 6A/B Ridge – 1st Reading
- Task List Review
- Presentation – Interpretative Panel

Regular Board meetings are open to Members
For more information, visit our website - www.ghi.coop

Greenbelt Homes, Inc.

Spring Gutter Cleaning (Selected Buildings)



Attention GHI Members

Hearn Insulation Company is scheduled to clean and inspect your gutters starting **May 27, 2008**, weather permitting.

At that time, workers may appear at your building, at doors and windows. Please close your shades to preserve privacy.

Please contact Peter Joseph at 301-474-4161 ext. 141
if you have any questions or comments.

Thank you.

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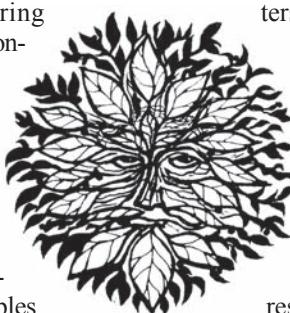
Ghandi Theme Inspires 2008 Green Man Festival

by Margaret Cahalan

Spend time exploring what can be done personally to make a greener and more inclusive Greenbelt community that respects the interconnected circle of all beings during the weekend of May 9 to 11. Taking inspiration from the principles of Mahatma Ghandi, the 60th anniversary of whose death is celebrated this year, as part of the Green Man Festival, the Real and Meal partnership of seven Greenbelt environmental and social justice organizations will co-sponsor a series of films and presentations centered on Ghandi's theme: "Be the change you want to see in the world."

If Green Man is the mythical archetype of humans' interconnection with nature in all its wonder and now under stress; then Ghandi's ideas and life work give one of the best real world examples to help guide us on the way to solving the serious challenges faced on planet earth and in Greenbelt in 2008.

Greenbelt was begun as a model community seeking to embody the best thinking in community planning of the 1930s, providing affordable housing and community services for lower income families. Reflecting a tragic collective history of racism and segregation, 70 years later, we still struggle with achieving our now recognized goal of building a diverse, inclusive and just community. The presentations scheduled are designed to challenge ourselves, as Greenbel-



ters to set a goal of becoming a new model experimental demonstration community – combining the interconnected goals of building a diverse, inclusive and green model community respecting the rights of all of nature of which we are a part.

On the Friday night (May 9) preceding the opening of the festival on Saturday, the Reel and Meal program plans to show the movie "Earthlings" at 8 p.m. This multi-award winning documentary film narrated by Hollywood actor Joaquin Phoenix, is about mankind's dependence on animals for food, clothing, entertainment and use in experimentation. On Saturday evening, at 8 p.m., the new film "A Convenient Truth: Urban Solutions from Curitiba Brazil" will be shown. The film is an informative, inspirational documentary aimed at sharing ideas to provoke environment-friendly and cost-effective changes in cities worldwide. Saturday and Sunday afternoon starting at 12:30 p.m., presentations, workshops, resource sharing and reflective exchange of ideas space will be provided in two "Ghandi Tents on the Small Green" just outside Curves in Roosevelt Center. For details visit www.greenbeltpgreenman-festival.org.

Margaret Cahalan is a member of the Green Man Festival Planning Committee.

Join South County Bird Trip Saturday

At 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 3 the Patuxent Bird Club will lead a birding foray to a variety of southern Prince George's County habitats including Mount Calvert, Merkle Wildlife Sanctuary, Jug Bay Natural Area and Millton Landing in search of migrant birds along the Patuxent River.

Call Fred Shaffer at 410-721-1744 for reservations and directions.

Botanic Garden Tour Offered

On Wednesday, May 7 from 1 to 2 p.m. the public is invited to tour the "National Garden" with Nathan Cromley, a US Botanic Gardens gardener. He will share stories about the plants and give tips on growing and maintenance. Don't miss this chance to observe the National Garden through a gardener's eyes. This event takes place at the National Garden lawn terrace. The tour is free; pre-registration is preferred and may be made by calling 202-225-1116.

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Hard Bargain Farm Has Spring Festival

This Saturday, May 3 the Alice Ferguson Foundation will open the Hard Bargain Farm Environmental Center for its free Annual Spring Farm Festival and Plant Sale from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. All are invited to come celebrate the arrival of spring at the 350-acre farm on the Potomac shore in Accokeek, 10 miles outside the Beltway. Enjoy live music, BBQ, animal exhibits, arts, crafts and great old-time farm tradition. The Festival promises great fun for kids and the entire family.

Visitors of all ages will find unique, fun activities to enjoy including barnyard demonstrations like cow milking, butter churning, sheep shearing, wool spinning and antique tools demonstrations. There will be live music on the farm hilltop overlooking the Potomac River (across from Mount Vernon) by a variety of performers, including the DC Dirty River band. There will be nature art and other crafts for children along with touch tanks with aquatic critters and turtles and bird of prey demonstrations. Food and refreshments by Bear Creek BBQ along with ice cream and baked goods will be available and, for a nominal fee, wagon rides to the Potomac River.

There will also be a plant sale with flowers, vegetables, herbs, native plants and fresh cut flowers; and an arts and craft show and sale featuring original oil and watercolor paintings, baskets, pottery, ceramics and more.

The Hard Bargain Farm Environmental Center is operated by the Alice Ferguson Foundation. Each year over 8,000 school children from the region have the opportunity to spend one or two days at the farm discovering wonders of the natural world, participating in environmental education programs and learning where their food comes from.

Admission and parking are free. For more information on the Spring Farm Festival or the Alice Ferguson Foundation call 301-292-5665 or visit www.fergusonfoundation.org. Driving directions are available at <http://www.fergusonfoundation.org/directions.html>.

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unteer tutoring program, including a tutoring camp; baby-sitting courses; and the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE).

Park said that CARES has led youth discussion groups at Eleanor Roosevelt High School but not at the middle or elementary school level because of scheduling difficulties within those schools.

Park also described the accomplishments of the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program run by Christal Parker Batey, who was not present at the meeting. Park reported that, while GAIL reported 500 clients during Fiscal Year 2007, it presently reports "close to 600 existing clients."

Park said that GAIL predicts they will be finding fewer clients because they have reached a plateau in the level of need within the city. However, Batey is looking to do more work in Springhill Lake, Park reports.

In the last year, GAIL also found many new partners, including the Greenbelt Police Department, the merchants of Greenway Center, Exit First Realty and Greenbelt Marriott.

Davis said, "You're doing great work," and remarked that "the staff achievement is quite impressive." She specifically said, "I'm glad that there is the Spanish component because obviously we have more and more Hispanic families." Davis also remarked that the three crisis intervention counselors were "very

helpful with the Springhill Lake fires last year."

Strategic Plan

Council listened with interest to Park's Strategic Plan for 2009 with objectives for CARES and GAIL. The Strategic Plan and the specific objectives focused on exploring alternative funding for programs, the influence of gangs and needs of the aging baby boomer population.

CARES intends to deal with truancy and gang involvement. "It's when kids are out of school that they get into trouble and into gangs," Park said. "Although we may not have the gang problems of Langley Park," she added, "we've certainly all heard of that boy being stabbed two weeks ago, not far from here [who] they believe was probably MS-13 gang involved."

Park claimed that gangs are "not far from us." She hoped to increase knowledge on gang identification so that her staff recognizes those signs "to get someone out of a gang is another level of intervention than stopping them before they ever get into that gang in a formal way."

GAIL's FY09 objectives are particularly focused on meeting the needs of an aging baby boomer generation "who expect a different level of service than past generations." Technology is to be an important part of future GAIL services. Park predicted that GAIL would need a "blog or maybe more internet interface" to meet the needs of baby boomers.

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Committee section.

Proxy/Absentees

For members who cannot attend the annual meeting, there are two ways to participate. One choice is to designate another member as a proxy. That person can vote for the absent member on any issues brought up at the meeting as well as the election following the meeting. Proxy forms are available at the GHI office. They must be returned to GHI by close of business on May

9 or to the GHI board secretary, Dorothy Lauber, 9M Ridge Road, by midnight May 10.

Persons who cannot attend the meeting and who wish only to vote in the election may vote absentee. Ballots may be obtained at the GHI offices from Monday, May 12 through noon on May 14. Completed ballots must be returned to Joan Krob, GHI's Director of Member Services, by 3:30 p.m. on May 14.



US 1/MD 201 Project Planning Study Informational Workshop



The Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) invites interested persons to attend an Informational Public Workshop regarding the US 1/MD 201 Project Planning Study. The project involves studying transportation improvements from Cherrywood Lane to north of Cherry Lane in Prince George's County.

What:

The Informational Workshop will acquaint the public with the progress of the study to date and present the Alternatives Retained for Detailed Study (ARDS). Display areas will be set up explaining the Purpose and Need for the project, alternatives, typical sections, potential environmental impacts, and related projects. Project representatives will be available to discuss the project issues, answer questions, and record your comments. No formal presentation will be given. Feel free to arrive at any time and walk through at your own pace.

When:

Thursday, May 15, 2008 – 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Where:

Beltsville Elementary School – Gymnasium
4300 Wicomico Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705

Contact:

Ms. Kameel Holmes, Project Manager

KHolmes@sha.state.md.us

410-545-8542 or toll-free 1-800-548-5026

Maryland Relay Service for Impaired Hearing or Speech can be reached at 1-800-735-2258.

Anyone needing special assistance to participate, please contact the Project Manager by May 8, 2008.

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Police Blotter

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Robbery

April 19, 1:20 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, a man grabbed a purse from a woman's shoulder and pulled it away from her after a brief struggle. The suspect is described as a black male, 6' to 6'2" with a stocky build, black hair in short dreadlocks, brown eyes and a dark complexion, wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans shorts.

Assaults

April 22, 5:12 p.m., 8900 block Edmonston Road, a man reported that he was assaulted by as many as five young men on the soccer field to the rear of Greenbelt Middle School. He suffered no serious injuries. The suspects are described as black males, 17 to 18 years of age.

April 22, 5:12 p.m., Breezewood Court and Springhill Lane, a man reported that he was assaulted by as many as 10 youths in a parking lot. He refused treatment for minor injuries. The suspects are described as black males, 16 to 17 years of age, wearing dark clothing.

Trespass

April 21, 5:45 p.m., Greenway Center, a resident youth was arrested for trespass and released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Theft

April 22, 10:34 a.m., Greenway Center, a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with two counts of theft over \$500 and one count of theft under \$500 as a result of investigation into a report of an employee theft at Pier One Imports. She was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Malicious Destruction

April 20, 3:30 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Court, unknown person(s) fired several bullets

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 301-507-6522.

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PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

City Councilmembers and Lt. David Buerger of the Greenbelt Police Department recognize MPO Scott Kaiser for his outstanding accomplishments as Traffic Officer.

Greenbelt police officers, along with students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School and Greenbelt citizens, received recognition for record high use of seatbelts during the Pacesetter program that Kaiser promoted.

Lt. David Buerger called Kaiser "an outstanding employee"

whom he is honored to have on the staff. Buerger said Kaiser is well known and thought of throughout the state because of his involvement in the promotion of safety events state-wide. He specifically noted Kaiser's work in promoting motorcycle safety.

Ed Holland: Legion 2007 Officer of Year

Detective Edward L. Holland was recently selected by the American Legion as the Prince George's County Officer of the Year 2007; he was honored at a ceremony held at the Greenbelt American Legion on April 14. Holland was chosen for his outstanding accomplishments as a detective.

After being chosen as the Greenbelt Police Department 2007 Officer of the Year, his nomination was submitted to the American Legion. The emphasis of the American Legion Department of Maryland Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Program is not on a single act of bravery or a single distinguishing event but on how a law enforcement officer excels in the daily performance of police duties.

Holland is a 17-year veteran who joined the Greenbelt Police Department in September 1990. Prior to coming to Greenbelt, he served five years with the Prince George's County Police Department and was with the Sheriff's Department five years prior to that.

Holland was nominated for his investigative skills, which led to the arrest of a suspect for a murder at Greenway Center. Police responding to the report of a shooting located the victim in a vehicle in the parking lot. After four months of intensive investigation, Holland was able to identify, locate and apprehend the person believed responsible.

African Drum Group Performs at UM

On Monday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m., the UM School of Music presents the UM African Drum Ensemble, Amadou Kouyate, director and Kora soloist, Dawn Avery, cello. The UM African Drum Ensemble premieres a free concert-length work based on contemporary and traditional Manding Kora melodies played on dunun, djembe and water gourds. They will be joined by UM and Montgomery College Chamber Orchestra musicians and vocalists and drummers from the Memory of African Culture.

Heroic Intervention By PFC Peck, AED

Last Friday, April 25 at 11:45 a.m., PFC Ryan Peck, a three-year veteran of the Greenbelt Police Department, was on routine patrol in the 7400 block of Greenbelt Road when he saw a Honda Civic traveling west on Greenbelt Road suddenly veer to the right and strike the sidewalk. The vehicle continued through the intersection and headed for a shelter-type bus stop, where several people were sitting, unaware of the oncoming, out of control vehicle. Peck immediately sounded his horn and siren to warn occupants of the bus stop, enabling them to get out of the way before the car hit it. The bus stop was destroyed.

Peck then checked on the driver, who had no pulse and was not breathing. Peck, who had recently returned from a tour of duty in Iraq where he served as an Army medic, immediately began CPR, assisted by two Maryland National Capital Park Police officers who arrived at the scene.

When the driver failed to respond to the officers' CPR attempts, Peck retrieved the Automated External Defibrillator (AED) from his cruiser and continued to render aid. The victim began breathing on his own. The victim, a 74-year-old College Park man, was then transported by ambulance to Doctor's Community Hospital for treatment.

The Greenbelt Police Department has six AEDs, with one at the police station, one at the Beltway Plaza sub-station and each of the remaining four assigned to each patrol squad.

Free Big Band Concert at UM

On Wednesday, May 7 at 5:30 p.m. the patio courtyard of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center will be the site of the free outdoor big band finale at the University of Maryland. UM Jazz Lab Band, UM Jazz Ensemble & University Jazz Band, Chris Vadala, music director, will offer an open-air spring celebration featuring three swinging jazz ensembles. If it rains the concert will be held in Dekelboum Concert Hall.

Bike Safety Tips

"Remember to wear a helmet. It is the single most important piece of equipment for any bike rider of any age to have. There's only one drawback – it has to be worn in order for it to do its job."

"Every time one gets ready to get on a bicycle, conduct a pre-ride inspection. Check the air pressure in the tires using either a tire gauge or fingers (tire should feel very firm). Stay within the amount of pressure stamped on the side of the tire. Check the tires and sidewalls for cracks, cuts or damage. Squeeze the brake levers and watch them work. Check the brake pads for wear and the brake cables to make sure they're smooth and not frayed. Check the pedals, crank arms, the bottom bracket to which the cranks attach, the chain and chain rings. A new chain can be one of the best improvements for the performance of a bike."

– Greenbelt Police Dept. Bike Unit



Turner Awards \$10K For Resource Officer

At the May 12 city council meeting County Councilmember Ingrid Turner will present Mayor Judith Davis and Police Chief James Craze with a grant award of \$10,000 to help support a School Resource Officer (SRO) at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Turner feels SROs provide an important service so when funding was cut she looked for additional money to help fund the officer based at ERHS. In announcing the award Turner said, "The School Resource Officers provide much needed assistance to the administration and more importantly they improve relations between students and the police by serving as positive role models."

The City of Greenbelt assigns an officer fulltime to Eleanor Roosevelt High School. SRO's are specially-trained police officers who serve their respective campus by providing full police service there.

Energy Star Users Get a Gold Star

PEPCO is giving Maryland residents a gold star for purchasing compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs which use 75 percent less energy to operate than incandescent light bulbs. According to PEPCO, its Maryland customers have purchased over 300,000 CFLs since PEPCO started its Energy Star CFL discount program last November. Using this number of CFL bulbs in place of incandescent bulbs will prevent 210 million pounds of carbon dioxide from entering the atmosphere, about the same as the reduction obtained by removing 21,000 cars from the roadways.

People who use 1,000 kilowatt-hours a month will save about \$5.40 per year per bulb on their PEPCO bill and help save the environment as well.

Wear White at Night so drivers can see you!



Volunteers sign-up to assist and receive their free Earth Day T-shirt.

Earth Day

The mayor and council opened the city's Earth Day and Arbor Day Celebration on Saturday, April 19. Brighid Willson, the winner of the Earth Day t-shirt Design Contest, was presented with a \$100 REI certificate and a T-shirt with her winning design on the back. Mira Willson, the second-place winner, was presented with a framed picture of her design entry. All participants received Earth Day T-shirts.

Approximately 45 volunteers joined members of the city's Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee and Advisory Committee on Trees to help plant a mixture of native and cultivated perennials and woody ornamental plants by the library underpass and six willow oak and chestnut oak trees along the pathway.



Earth Day volunteers show off their planting skills as they help place white flowered azaleas on the slopes of the library underpass.



This rich, black compost in the wheelbarrow provides extra nutrition for the new plants.



Brighid Willson, Earth Day T-shirt design winner, second from right, receives congratulations from Councilmember Ed Putens, Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Leta Mach. With her are daughter Mira, who won second place with her design, and son Nicholas. Councilmember Konrad Herling was also present.

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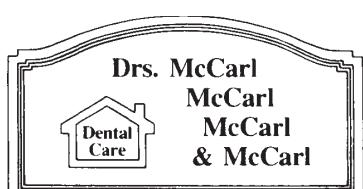


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GES vs. GMS Ballgame Builds Bridges

Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) faculty took on the Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) faculty in Greenbelt's first-ever bridge-building basketball game. With the goal of the evening to create stronger ties between the two schools, the two faculty teams played hard. Every move and every point was cheered by students and parents from both schools. The final score of 72 to 64 gave GMS the game but the fans were the winners. With such enthusiasm, dedication, good sportsmanship and fun coming from the faculty, the schools are exciting places to be. Next year's games are already being planned.



Greenbelt Elementary School Team: from left, Jeremy Franklin, Jacob Novick, James Laboard, Elise Moscati, Joanna Stelzer, Elisabeth Smith, Molly Simms and Emily Wright. Second row from left, Stephanie Katz, Nicole Cordek and Wes Wright.

At left, Chris Sherman, a fifth-grader at GES, cheers for his math teacher, Elisabeth Smith.

— photos by Amy S. Hansen



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Jacob Novick (left) gets himself open as Wes Wright rebounds the ball for GES. Attempting to block is Michael Hayes for GMS.



Watching the game are (from left) Danielle Brooks, GMS; GMS Principal Judy Austin; GES Principal Kim Seidel; and GMS Assistant Principal John LaPolla.

Contest Seeks Youth Essays on Peace

Maryland middle school students are invited to enter a state-wide writing contest focusing on the themes of peace and social justice.

The contest, sponsored by Anne Arundel Peace Action, the Maryland Peace Action Education Fund and the Benjamin Peace Foundation, is open to all 7th and 8th grade students enrolled in public or private schools in Maryland and to home-schooled students in corresponding grade levels. In this 12th consecutive year the contest will award four cash prizes: \$350 for first place, \$250 for second, \$150 for third and \$100 for fourth place. The winners will be honored at a special ceremony, though attendance is not required to receive an award.

To enter students must submit up to 1,200 words double-spaced on the following topic: "Envision an imaginary assembly at your school attended by Eleanor Roosevelt, Martin Luther King, Jr., Desmond Tutu, Jane Addams and Sojourner Truth. Based on what you think they would say, what advice would you give to make your school a more peaceful place?"

A separate cover sheet must include the student's name, address and phone number or email address; school's name, address and phone number; and name of the teacher sponsor if applicable.

Essays and accompanying materials must be postmarked no later than May 15, 2008, and mailed to Fred B. Benjamin Peace Writing Contest, 310 Riverview Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403-3328.

NAMI Walk Aids Mentally Ill

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Prince George's County Chapter will hold a benefit walk on May 3. Come to Centennial Park, Ellington City and walk 2.4 miles. Check-in time is 10 a.m. and the walk begins at 11 a.m. Additional information can be found at www.MD.NAMI.org and www.NAMIPGCM.org. The money and awareness raised through NAMIWALKS will support mental illness advocacy, research, education and directly benefit NAMI programs locally and nationally.

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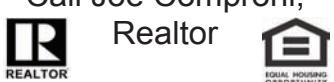


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Space Day special events are free with paid admission. The Maryland Science Center is located at 601 Light Street at Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Visit www.marylandsciencecenter.org or call 410-685-5225 for details.

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Demonstrations are May 3 and 4 at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. The festival is co-sponsored by the Potomac Bonsai Association and the National Arboretum.

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(sign interpreted class)
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A Review

“Octette Bridge Club” at GAC Shows the Pull of Family

by Carol A. Griffith

Is a large family a hindrance or a comfort? How does one reconcile her own needs with those of her large family? These are some of the themes that the current play at Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC), “The Octette Bridge Club,” explores.

The play opens in 1934 on Halloween as the eight sisters who have formed the Octette Bridge Club are being interviewed and photographed for an article in the local newspaper, explaining how they’ve been holding twice-monthly, sisters-only bridge games for three years. After the reporter leaves the sisters proceed with their usual bridge game and conversation, which exposes the tensions in their relationships.

The second act takes place 10 years later at another bridge game, again held on Halloween. Much has changed in the sisters’ lives, only partly because of the Depression and World War II, and these changes force the dramatic conclusion. Even so, there’s a certain sweetness to the

play, a nostalgia for innocence and simpler lives and times and many humorous moments, particularly as the sisters hold a Halloween costume contest at the 1944 bridge game.

The play just sparkles – the dialogue and acting in the interactions between the sisters, the portrayal of their varied personalities, the costumes and the scenery. Four of the actresses are appearing at GAC for the first time and are wonderful additions to the Greenbelt stage.

“The Octette Bridge Club” was first read as part of the first stage program at Center Stage in Baltimore; thereafter it had a brief run on Broadway in 1985.

“The Octette Bridge Club” will play on the Friday and Saturday evenings of May 2 and 3, 9 and 10, 16 and 17 at 8 p.m. There will be two Sunday shows on May 2 at 2 p.m. and May 11 at 7 p.m. Reservations may be made through the box office at 301-441-8770 or at the Greenbelt Arts Center at 123 Centerway, located beneath the Co-op supermarket.

Chicks Rule!

A Mallard duck nested not long ago in our courtyard of the Greenway Medical Center on Hanover Parkway with its offices for several doctors with different specialties. Nurses and medical staff started closely watching the nest. There were a lot of scenarios of why this duck chose to build her nest so far from the pond. Perhaps it didn’t have good sense or was an outcast from the flock. Or could she be a kept woman of the male who had another duck over by the pond? Then again, maybe she was just smart enough to stay away from predators that might troll the pond.

Everyone felt compassion for the duck who through hard rain and roller coaster temperatures stayed on her nest. They brought her water and food, although she didn’t seem interested; we never saw the male. “That’s typical,” someone said, but that’s nature too, we supposed.

On April 24 our courtyard was filled with excitement, as word went out from office to office that the eggs had hatched. The staff of Greenway Medical Center, women dressed in colored medical scrubs, gathered to get a glimpse of mommy duck and her chicks. Maybe a doctor got annoyed at the delay or maybe a patient was left waiting a bit too long but these women all in their vivid uniforms escorted the new family across the busy street to the pond. There’s a thing about women, you know – they understand it’s not easy to be a mom.

The sight of this little mother touched all our hearts. We wish her good luck. She’ll need it – she had 11 ducklings!

– Kathleen Kirby



Our sympathy to the family and many friends of Adele Lee, who died on April 28, 2008.

Condolences to the family and friends of long-time Mathew Street resident Hoyt Wright, Sr. who died on Monday, April 21, 2008.

Greenbelters were saddened to learn of the death of JoAnne Trumbule on April 20, 2008, in Charlottesville, Va. She was a former member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church and the daughter-in-law of Greenbelt pioneers Edward F. and Adele E. Trumbule. Our sympathy to her son Robert and family. Memorial service plans will be at www.joannetrumbule.legacy.com.

We were saddened to learn of the death of former Plateau Place resident Tommy Hawke, who died on April 23, 2008.

Our condolences to former Greenbelter Anne Stratton on the death of her mother, Louise Hagan, who died April 19, 2008, a month shy of her 90th birthday. Anne’s father, Joseph Hagan, died February 27, 2008, at 92.

Congratulations to:

– ERHS senior Dylan Kristy for his second place win at the Maryland National History Day Competition. Competing against students from across Maryland on April 26 at UMBC, Dylan’s research paper “Unable to Cooperate: How America’s Inability to Compromise led to the Civil War” qualified him to represent the state of Maryland in the National History Day national contest June 15 to 19 at the University of Maryland. Dylan lives on

Fayette Place and will attend St. Mary’s College of Maryland next fall where he plans to study history and political science.

– four Greenbelt students at Robert Goddard French Immersion School, fourth graders Julia Tartaro and Sophie Bernheisel, second grader Habdel Coulibaly and fifth grader Teresa Smith, who are winners in the 60-minute Middle Atlantic American Association of Teachers of French National French Le Grand Concours test given at the end of February. Winners will receive medals, certificates and prizes at a celebratory luncheon at the Café de Paris.

– James and Matthew Gardiner, who are in the news again. The twin brothers, now 24, are alumni of ERHS and the Maryland Boy Choir. James was pictured in an article in Sunday’s Washington Post with his colleague Nick Blaemire, the composer of Signature Theatre’s musical “Glory Days,” which will open on Broadway on May 6. James wrote the libretto for the musical. Matt Gardiner received a Helen Hayes award on April 28 for co-directing Studio Theatre’s “Reefer Madness: the Musical.” The Hayes awards are Washington’s version of the Tonys.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Lydia Goldstein, now recuperating at home from back surgery.

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– Kathleen McFarland

Host a NYC Child To a Green Summer

People can enjoy a picture-perfect summer this year by inviting a Fresh Air child into their homes. Close to 5,000 New York City children visit volunteer host families every summer through the Fresh Air Fund’s Friendly Town program in communities from Virginia to Maine and into Canada.

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